NEWPORT BEACH HARBOR COMMISSION MINUTES City Council Chambers July 13, 2011

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Commissioners McIntosh, West, Rodheim, Rhyne and Valdes were present.

Commissioners Avery and Duffield were absent.

Council Liaison: Nancy Gardner

Staff: Manager Chris Miller Supervisor Shannon Levin

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Harbor Commission welcomed new Commissioner Brad Avery upon his appointment to the Harbor Commission by City Council.

MINUTES June minutes will be presented at the August meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ACTION & APPEAL ITEMS

ITEM #1

Subject: Election of Officers

Abstract: The Harbor Commission will elect officers for the 2011-2012 year.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Chair: Commissioner West nominated Commissioner Rodheim and the motion was

seconded by Commissioner McIntosh. The motion carried unanimously. Rodheim was

elected as Chair of Harbor Commission.

Vice Chair: Commissioner McIntosh nominated Commissioner West and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Rhyne. The motion carried unanimously. West was elected

as Vice Chair of Harbor Commission.

Secretary: Chairman Rodheim nominated Commissioner McIntosh and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Rhyne. The motion carried unanimously. McIntosh was

elected as Secretary of Harbor Commission.

ITEM #2

Subject: Deep Sea Cat LLC – Request for Extension and Alternate Mooring Location for the

Chevenne

Abstract: Due to the mobilization of dredge equipment for the Rhine Channel Project, Deep Sea Cat

LLC is requesting the Harbor Commission to grant an extension and to consider alternate

mooring locations throughout the harbor for the catamaran *Cheyenne*.

Discussion:

- Commissioner McIntosh noted that there may be an issue with the Fall Boat Show.
- Commissioner West did not mind relocating the vessel to the F mooring area.
- Commissioner Valdes agrees that the F mooring field works well as he was on the boat when it moored there for a trial period.

- The Cheyenne owner, Mr. Chris Welsh, liked being close to Lido Isle Yacht Club for wash-downs and maintenance.
- Commissioner Rodheim asked if fees should be charged since the vessel is on the public tidelands.
- Ms. Rita Stenlund, President of the Newport Harbor Nautical Museum, was pleased to hear that the Cheyenne is being considered to stay as it will benefit the community. As the Museum is formulating education programs, the Five Dives has been a good example and compliments the ExplorOcean program. A win-win for the community.
- Mr. Chuck South likes the F field location, but would want it tucked in.
- Commissioner Rodheim asked why not the C field?
- Commissioner West supports the Lido Bridge area as a good second location. He
 made a motion to extend the time to October 31, 2011, and to move to the F mooring
 location with the Lido Bridge as a second option.
- Commissioner West thought that the Cheyenne is beneficial to the community and supported waiving any fees – it would withstand public scrutiny.
- Commissioner McIntosh noted it was not-for-profit.

Public Comments:

Action:

1. Grant an extension and to consider the alternative mooring locations as proposed by Deep Sea Cat for the Cheyenne, and recommend that Harbor Resources issue and approval for the most appropriate location.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sailing Speed Limit:

Commissioner West reported that the Office of the City Attorney has completed the draft and it is being reviewed by the committee. Council Member Gardner recommended the topic be brought to a Council Study Session before it goes to the Department of Boating and Waterways.

Cruising Guide:

Commissioner West said the revised Cruising Guide would be delayed until so new welcoming letters could be drafted from the upcoming new Mayor.

Harbor Visioning Task Force:

Commissioner Rodheim noted that he would like to give a second report of the committee's progress at an upcoming Tidelands Management Committee.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:

Council Member Gardner reported on the Marine Committee meeting and the cooperation between all the different entities in the harbor. As to the copper issue, she wanted to be careful with the science and for the agencies to not extrapolate data from the Shelter Island study that is unique to that area. With the life jacket issue, she suggested a two tiered approach for harbors that restrict vs. not restrict a 5 mph rule. She also reported on the Tidelands Management Committee and that there is a huge list of projects that will take significant funding. This will force the City to be creative in how we finance things.

<u>HARBOR RESOURCES UPDATE</u> – Manager Miller gave a PowerPoint presentation on harbor updates. *The update is posted at http://www.newportbeachca.gov/index.aspx?page=1777*

PUBLIC COMMENTS

RECOMMENDED TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

- Mooring Administration and Wait List, Mooring Extensions etc...
- NOAA Update on Mooring Field Realignment

- Dinghy Dock at Lido BridgeBilge/pumpout stations

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, August 10, 2011, 6:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT